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Dear Nick

**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE REPORT: COASTAL FLOOD AND EROSION RISK
MANAGEMENT IN WALES - CLARIFICATION ON RECOMMENDATIONS RESPONSE**

Thank you for your letter dated 11 October 2017 seeking clarification of my response to the recommendations from your recent report. I am pleased to provide you with additional information below as requested:

Recommendation 6 – a coastal toolkit will accompany the new National Strategy for Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management. It will set out options and guidance for all of the Shoreline Management Plan policies, including managed realignment.

Recommendation 9 – a Board chaired by Welsh Government officials maintains oversight of the Coastal Risk Management Programme, reporting to Welsh Ministers where appropriate. The planned mid-programme review will include: progress against programme objectives, lessons identified on the use of the Local Government Borrowing Initiative for investment in flood and coastal erosion schemes; and, the requirement for further investment.

In addition, work has already begun with Risk Management Authorities to bring together a long term pipeline of potential schemes which will strengthen our case for future funding.

Regards

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